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1. No new Soviet troop movements or air activity in the Soviet Zone of Germany were reported on 14 July.
2. In mid-June 50 Soviet troops held field exercises in the Timisoara-Arad area, Banat.
3. In mid-June two trains with Soviet trucks and replacements were en route to Tunusiara (sic; presumably Timisoara), apparently from the USSR.
4. Since 27 June 1950 locomotive columns at Frankfurt/Oder have been alerted. Special requests are required by workers in these columns to leave temporarily, or to receive visitors.*

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* Comment: The alert concerns four and possibly five columns. Their transfer from Berlin-Pankow to Frankfurt is not yet confirmed. The total strength of four columns is 100 to 120 locomotives, adequate for present requirements of Soviet transit traffic through Poland.

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[REDACTED] the personnel of locomotive columns at Frankfurt/Oder are restricted to quarters. Alerts at other locomotive column stations are not known.

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